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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO **OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 3, 2002**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 3, 2002, please amend the referenced patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 20 and 33 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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(Twice Amended) 16. method comprising the steps of:

A method for monitoring a fetal condition, the